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Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

New contract approved for REAL program online resources

REAL program participants and other MOREnet customers will soon have access to new online resources from EBSCO Publishing. The Secretary of State's Office and the Missouri State Library awarded their online resources contract to EBSCO, providing general periodicals and information in the health, business, humanities, social science, and K-12 subject areas to public libraries across the state. The contract begins at the start of the state's 2006 fiscal year, July 1, 2005. The following resources will be available for REAL Program participants, K-12 TNP participants, MERC, and all other MOREnet customers:

- Academic Search Elite
- MasterFILE Premier (upgraded from MasterFILE Elite)
- Business Source Premier (new)
- Regional Business News (new)
- Newspaper Source (new)
- Alt Healthwatch
- HealthSource: Consumer Edition
- HealthSource: Nursing Edition
 - Clinical Pharmacology
- Primary Search
 - EBSCO Animals
 - Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia
- MAS Ultra: School Edition
- Military & Government Collection

An expanded collection of newspapers will be available through Newsbank, including:

- *Kansas City Star* (1991 – current)
- *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* (1988- current)
- *Springfield News-Leader* (1999 – current)
- *Chicago Tribune* (1985 – current)
- *Wichita Eagle* (1984 – current)
- *Washington Post* (1977 – current)
- *Los Angeles Times* (1985 – current)
- *Louisville Courier Journal* (1999 – current)
- *Tulsa World* (1989 – current)
- *USA Today* (1990 – current)
- *Christian Science Monitor* (1987 – current)

MOREnet offers online resources toolbox camp

MOREnet will offer their three-day Resource Toolbox Camp at the Kirksville, Nevada, and Mineral Area (Park Hills) Telecommunication Resource Centers (TCRC) in July. The camps are open to staff members from libraries participating in the REAL Program. Courses covered in the camp include:

- [Exploring MOREnet's Online Resources](#) – Save time by having periodicals, newspapers, and company statistics at your fingertips
- [Search Engines](#) – Make your Internet searches more powerful
- [Mining the Deep Web](#) – The Internet is full of hidden resources. Learn how to mine the Web to your benefit.
- [NetSmartz](#) – Keeping kids safer on the Internet is an immediate concern. Learn how to promote this valuable resource in your organization.

The Kirksville camp is scheduled for July 6-8, and the Nevada and Mineral Area camps are on July 19-21. More information and registration details are available at <http://solutions.more.net/apps/training/schedule/>.

Local newspapers not available from State Library*

The State Library's reference librarians frequently get questions from citizens who believe the library stores Missouri's newspapers on microfilm. While the library does have microfilm for the *Kansas City Star*, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, and *Wall Street Journal*, we do not have any other newspapers in our collection. If patrons cannot access local papers at the local library, encourage them to contact their local historical society, genealogy group, or the [State Historical Society of Missouri](#), [Newspaper Library](#), at (573) 882-7083 or submit an [online research request](#).

*Article amended after original publication to update contact information.

Safety hazard discovered in summer reading novelty

A yo-yo similar to the "squishy mace yo-yo" sold by Highsmith on page four of this year's "Dragons, Dreams, & Daring Deeds" order form has been found to be a safety hazard. Even though the problems were discovered in a larger, similar yo-yo, Upstart has discontinued sales of the yo-yo featured in the summer reading incentive catalog.

If your library purchased the "squishy mace yo-yo" and are concerned about its safety, Upstart offers two options:

1. Cut the strings off the yo-yos and use them as balls, eliminating the choking hazard associated with the string, or
2. Contact Upstart (800-448-4887 or service@highsmith.com) to return the yo-yos.

Online conference focuses on electronic book formats

"One Book, Many Formats: The Magic of Multimedia" is the theme for the second annual audio and e-book expo sponsored by the Alliance Library System, the Mid-Illinois Talking Book Center, and the Illinois State Library Talking Book and Braille Service. The one-day conference will be held at the Alliance headquarters in East Peoria, Illinois, and online on September 28, 2005, 9 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. central time.

Speakers and participants will explore the new formats for e-books and audio books, and how the formats create a customized reading experience for those who have trouble with regular print materials because of visual, physical, or learning disabilities. There is no registration fee for those who attend online. For more information and to register, go to the [conference Web site](#) or contact [Lori Bell](#) at the Mid-Illinois Talking Book Center.

Proprietary content offered free of charge on new Web site

CQ Press recently introduced a new Web site, [CQ Press in Context](#), featuring selections from the CQ Press Electronic Library. The site offers free access to a substantial sampling of the press's content usually available only on a subscription basis.

The site's current topic, "Future of the Supreme Court," focuses on the expected retirement of Chief Justice Rehnquist and the potential issues to follow when a replacement is nominated. As new political and government topics emerge as major issues in the country, the Web site will be updated to add relevant content.

CQ Press publishes books, directories, subscriptions, and Web products on politics, federal and state government, institutions, campaigns and elections, current events, and world affairs.

Proposals sought for government info user satisfaction study

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) is seeking proposals for a national research study on how individuals with limited access to Internet resources access federal, state, and local government services and whether users are satisfied with the access provided by public libraries and public access computing centers.

The IMLS solicitation for a cooperative agreement for the study can be found online at http://www.imls.gov/whatsnew/current/access_study.htm.

The deadline for proposals is July 20, 2005, and the maximum award is \$500,000 for a two-year period. The estimated award date is September 30, 2005, and IMLS anticipates making a single award for the project.

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